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DEVICE FOR ELIMINATING GAS OR PARAFFIN HYDRATE DEPOSITS THAT FORM IN WELL DRILLING EQUIPMENT OR IN HYDROCARBON PRODUCTION OR TRANSPORTATION EQUIPMENT

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Sir:

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